# 2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Coeur dAlene District Resource Advisory Council

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Department of the Interior 2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee No. 3b. GSA Committee No.

Coeur dAlene District Resource Advisory Council 2056

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

Year? Charter Date Date

No 01/06/2017 01/06/2019

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

No 5 U.S.C. Appendix

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Reg to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?

Continue Not Applicable Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

13. Effective 14. Committee 14c.

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Date

Type

Presidential?

No

Federal Land Policy and Management

10/21/1976 Continuing

Act, Sec. 309

**15. Description of Committee** Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports 3

16b. Report Date Report Title

01/02/2018 Recommendation - Rec Fee Increases, Oct 19 2017 mtg

05/18/2018 Recommendation - Rec Fee Increases, April 19 2017 mtg

08/01/2018 Recommendation - Magruder's Cabin Fee Increase, April 19 2017 mtg

#### Number of Committee Reports Listed: 3

# 17a. Open 2 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 2 Meetings and Dates

Purpose Start End

The 15-member RAC advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Idaho. The meeting agenda will include updates from the Cottonwood and Coeur d'Alene Field Offices; presentations from the Nez Perce/Clearwater and the Idaho Panhandle National Forests regarding 10/19/2017 - 10/19/2017

potential new recreation fees and/or increased fee rates; information on vegetation treatment projects

and recreation enhancements. More information is available at

http://www.blm.gov/id/st/en/get\_involved/resource\_advisory/coeur\_d\_alene\_district.html.

The 15-member RAC advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Idaho. The meeting agenda will include updates from the Cottonwood and Coeur d'Alene Field Offices regarding recreation, forestry and fuels projects. Idaho Panhandle National Forest recreation managers will also present recommendations

04/19/2018 - 04/19/2018 regarding potential new recreation fees and/or increased fee rates to the Recreation RAC. Additional agenda topics or changes to the agenda will be announced in local press releases. More information is available at:

https://www.blm.gov/get-involved/resource-advisory-council/near-you/Idaho/coeurdalene-district-RAC

#### Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 2

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$20,000.00	\$23,000.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$2,910.00	\$3,000.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$4,269.00	\$5,000.00
18d. Total	\$27,179.00	\$31,000.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.30	0.30

#### 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The RAC functions as the Recreation RAC and has provided recommendations to the CDA District and the Nez Perce/Clearwater National Forest.

#### 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Coeur d'Alene District Resource Advisory Council is composed of 15 members distributed in a balanced fashion among the following groups: Category I includes those holding Federal grazing permits or leases, interests associated with transportation or rights-of-way, developed outdoor recreation, OHV users, or commercial recreation activities, commercial timber industry, or energy and mineral development; Category II includes nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, dispersed recreation activities, archaeological and historical interests, or nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups; Category III includes state, county, or locally elected office-holders, employee of a State agency responsible for the management of natural resources, Indian Tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the RAC is organized, are employed as academicians in natural resource management or the natural sciences, or represent the public-at-large.

#### 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The RAC meets 2 to 3 times annually. The first meeting welcomes new members, reviews

the past years work/involvement, and elects the RAC chair and vice-chair. Meetings are called by the designated Federal officer when new and ongoing issues require RAC consideration. Relevance to pertinent management problems is ensured before a meeting is scheduled.

## 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The RAC represents a wide variety of public land users and others interested in the management of the public lands in the BLM's Coeur d'Alene District. There is no other single group that can provide this representation. The RAC provides the BLM with advice and recommendations on various issues.

#### 20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open to the public. Notices of the meetings are published in the Federal Register, posted on the BLM Idaho website, and distributed to local newspapers.

#### 21. Remarks

The RAC met twice in FY18.

#### **Designated Federal Officer**

Linda Clark BLM Coeur D'Alene District Manager

<b>Committee Members</b>	Start	End	Occupation	<b>Member Designation</b>
Balser, Robert	01/17/2017	01/17/2020	Retired	Representative Member
Boggan, Douglas	10/18/2012	05/17/2019	Dispersed Recreation	Representative Member
Bonser-Rider, Linda	10/05/2006	05/17/2019	Owner, Rider Ranch	Representative Member
Casile, Almer	01/17/2017	01/17/2020	Engineer	Representative Member
Cook, William	01/17/2017	01/17/2020	Retired forester	Representative Member
Dinning, Daniel	07/21/2015	07/21/2018	Boundary County Commissioner	Representative Member
Fulton, Trevor	01/17/2017	01/17/2020	College Professor	Representative Member
Goetz, Chris	12/11/2009	05/17/2019	Clearwater County Sheriff	Representative Member
Marshall, John	07/21/2015	07/21/2018	ATV Club	Representative Member
Orr, William	07/21/2015	07/21/2018	Energy and Minerals	Representative Member
Perry, Patricia	07/21/2015	07/21/2018	Administrative Director, Kootenai Tribe of Idaho	Representative Member
Reggear, Michael	07/21/2015	07/21/2018	Forester	Representative Member
Swanson, Clifford	07/21/2015	07/21/2018	Recreation Board President	Representative Member
White, David	05/17/2016	05/17/2019	State Employee	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 14

#### **Narrative Description**

The BLM's Coeur d'Alene District RAC provides feedback and recommendations on a variety of programs including forest health, prescribed burns, the National Environmental Policy Act, threatened/endangered species, grazing, wildlife, recreation, and land use planning.

### What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee? Checked if Applies Improvements to health or safety Trust in government Major policy changes Advance in scientific research Effective grant making Improved service delivery Increased customer satisfaction Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements Other **Outcome Comments** N/A What are the cost savings associated with this committee? Checked if Applies None Unable to Determine Under \$100,000 \$100,000 - \$500,000 \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 Over \$10,000,000 Cost Savings Other **Cost Savings Comments** An in-depth analysis has not been done to determine cost savings associated with the Coeur d'Alene District RAC. However, the contributions of the RAC are of great benefit to the BLM. What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee? 30

#### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

Three recommendation letters regarding recreational fee increases were developed and

submitted in FY18. No recommendations were made by the Committee in FY17. In FY16, the Coeur d'Alene District RAC based on input and recommendation from the Recreation RAC, recommended an increase in recreation fees for the Nez Perce Clearwater NFs. Since the inception of the RAC in 1995, it has made several recommendations on a variety of topics including rangeland standards and guidelines, recreation standards and guidelines, recreation fees, mineral withdrawal continuation on the Lower Salmon River, noxious weeds, off-highway-vehicle use, land exchanges, and recreation fee proposals for the BLM and U.S. Forest Service.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?

100%

#### % of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The advice and recommendations provided by the RAC are pertinent to the projects and/or issues currently being considered. The BLM has been able to either fully implement or fully transmit the recommendations to the appropriate entity.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations  $\underline{\text{Partially}}$  Implemented Comments N/A

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

#### **Agency Feedback Comments**

At RAC meetings, information is provided by the designated Federal officer and, if available, copies of letters or documentation are provided to the members.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	✓
Reallocated resources	✓
Issued new regulation	

Proposed legislation Approved grants or other payments Other	
Action Comments N/A	
Is the Committee engaged in the review of application No	ons for grants?
Grant Review Comments N/A	
How is access provided to the information for the C	ommittee's documentation?
	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	✓
Online Agency Web Site	✓
Online Committee Web Site	✓
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<b>×</b>
Publications	
Other	✓

#### **Access Comments**

The Coeur d'Alene District RAC Coordinator keeps records of all RAC business. Minutes of meetings are posted on the BLM-Idaho website.